

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA  
MISSOULA DIVISION

CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL  
DIVERSITY, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

and

WESTERN WATERSHEDS  
PROJECT, et al.,

Consolidated Plaintiffs,

vs.

UNITED STATES FISH AND  
WILDLIFE SERVICE, et al.,

Defendants,

and

SPORTSMEN'S ALLIANCE  
FOUNDATION, SAFARI CLUB  
INTERNATIONAL, and ROCKY  
MOUNTAIN ELK FOUNDATION,

Defendant-Intervenors.

Lead Case  
CV 24-86-M-DWM

Member Case  
CV 24-87-M-DWM

ORDER

The Sportsmen's Alliance Foundation, the Safari Club International, and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (collectively, "the Hunting Coalition") have filed a motion to intervene as a matter of right in this action pursuant to Federal Rule of

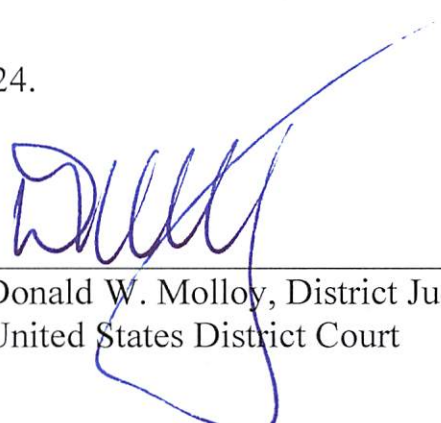
Civil Procedure 24(a) or, in the alternative, to intervene at the Court's discretion pursuant to Rule 24(b). (Doc. 14.) These groups were allowed to intervene under Rule 24(a) in this recently dismissed and now refiled action. *See W. Watersheds, et al. v. U.S. Fish & Wildlife Serv., et al.*, CV 24-43-M-DWM, Doc. 15 (May 16, 2024).

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that the Hunting Coalition's motion to intervene (Doc. 14) is GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Hunting Coalition's proposed Answers must be promptly refiled in the appropriate cases. All other filing should be made in the Lead Case and spread to the Member Case. The Hunting Coalition must participate in drafting the parties' proposed case management plan, (*see* Doc. 6), with the understanding that their briefing may not be duplicative of the Federal Defendants in any way.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the caption shall be amended as reflected above.

DATED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.



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Donald W. Molloy, District Judge  
United States District Court